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Two Conway Men Arrested on Child Pornography Charges

(COLUMBIA, S.C.) South Carolina Attorney General Alan Wilson announced the arrest of Guy Eugene Kaipo Lavalouis (DOB: 1989) and Charles Jared Thomas (DOB: 1986), both of Conway, S.C., on charges connected to sexual exploitation of minors. Investigators from the South Carolina Attorney General's Office made the arrest. The Conway Police Department and Horry County Sheriff's Office, both members of the state's ICAC Task Force, assisted in the arrest.

Investigators state that Lavalouis and Thomas were both involved in distributing child pornography via a file-sharing network.

Lavalouis was arrested on August 9, 2016. He is charged with two (2) counts of Sexual Exploitation of a Minor, Second Degree (§16-15-405), a felony offense punishable by up to 10 years imprisonment on each count; and with ten (10) counts of Sexual Exploitation of a Minor, Third Degree (§16-15-410), a felony offense punishable by up to ten (10) years imprisonment on each count.

Thomas was arrested on August 10, 2016. He is charged with thirteen (13) counts of Sexual Exploitation of a Minor, Second Degree (§16-15-405), a felony offense punishable by up to 10 years imprisonment on each count; and with five (5) counts of Sexual Exploitation of a Minor, Third Degree (§16-15-410), a felony offense punishable by up to ten (10) years imprisonment on each count.

Both cases will be prosecuted by the Attorney General's Office.

Attorney General Wilson stressed all defendants are presumed innocent unless and until they are proven guilty in a court of law.

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